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SUBJECT: TRANSFER OF RSO MELVIN L. HARRISON

REF: STATE 087360; STATE 089241; QUITO 2684

1. RSO HAS RECONSIDERED PROPOSED BUCHAREST ASSIGNMENT AND ACCEPTS.

2. PLEASE ADVISE LENGTH OF TOUR, RSO ASSUMES IT WILL BE FOR TWO YEARS.

3. ORIGINAL REFTEL STATED THAT A SECRETARIAL POSITION FOR SPOUSE (IRENE SHERILL HARRISON, FSS-7) IS EXPECTED TO BE AVAILABLE IN BUCHAREST. SPOUSE RIGHTFULL DESIRES A FULFILLING CAREER WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE. ASSIGNMENT ACCEPTANCE IS PREDICATED UPON POSITION DEFINITELY BEING AVAILABLE (FOREIGN SERVICE NOT RESIDENT HIRE).

2. WIFE WILL ACCOMPANY RSO TO CARACAS TDY, BUT NOT BOGOTA. CAN A F.S. SECRETARIAL TDY POSITION BE AVAILABLE FOR WIFE? WIFE WILL RETURN TO HL ADDRESS AFTER CARACAS. PLEASE INSURE THAT ORDERS WILL COVER HER RETURN TO U.S.

5. WIFE SPEAKS SPANISH AND HAS ATTENDED FSI ITALIAN LANGUAGE TRAINING. IT IS THEREFORE BELIEVED THAT SHE WOULD BE ABLE TO QUICKLY BUILD UPON BASIC INSTRUCTION RECEIVED IN ROMAINIAN. A
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MINIMUM OF TWO MONTHS TRAINING, AS A STATE DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEE

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ON SALARY NOT AS DEPENDENT, IS REQUESTED. GIVING SPOUSE
LANGUAGE TRAINING WOULD GREATLY BENEFIT THE MISSION IN BUCHA-
REST.

6. SINCE RSO ACCEPTED A DIRECT TRANSFER FROM SAIGON TO QUITO,
A PERIOD OF HOME LEAVE AFTER COMPLETION OF TDY ASSIGNMENTS
IN CARACAS AND BOGOTA IS DESIRED. CAN THIS BE FITTED INTO THE
SCHEDULE?

7. RSO ASSUMES FURNISHED QUARTERS WILL BE PROVIDED IN BUCHA-
REST. CONFIRMATION OF THIS MATTER IS ESSENTIAL SINCE RSO
WOULD PREFER TO SELL MAJOR HOUSEHOLD ITEMS RATHER THAN TO LEAVE
THEM IN STORAGE IN QUITO FOR ALMOST THREE YEARS.

8. PLEASE ADVISE AND SEND ORDERS TO HELP EXPEDITE DEPARTURE
PROCEDURES FROM QUITO.
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